UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS AUSTIN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
Plaintiff,) Civ. No. 1:09-cv-00490-LY
v.)
STATE OF TEXAS, et al.,)
Defendants.)

JOINT STATUS REPORT REGARDING MONITOR'S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Pursuant to the Court's Order dated September 23, 2022, ECF No. 40, the United States and the State of Texas submit this Joint Status Report regarding Monitor's Motion for Protective Order, ECF No. 31. Following the September 23, 2022 teleconference with the Court, the Parties, Ms. Maria Laurence ("Monitor Laurence"), and Dr. Alan Harchik ("Monitor Harchik") (collectively "the Monitors") met on October 3, 2022, to confer about the disposition of the documents at issue in the Motion.

As a result of this discussion, the State proposed that the Parties resolve the issues identified in the Motion for Protective Order by agreeing that Monitor Laurence would turn over the documents in her possession, custody, and control related to her work as a monitor in this case to Monitor Harchik, who would maintain those records during the pendency of this case or until they can be passed on to a successive monitor in the event Monitor Harchik leaves while the case remains pending. The Monitors and the United States accepted the State's proposal. Both the United States and the State reserve the right to seek relief regarding the final disposition of the records at the conclusion of this matter.

In an email dated October 13, 2022, Monitor Laurence agreed to convey the relevant documents in her possession, custody, and control to Monitor Harchik on a secure hard drive via a delivery service using package tracking no later than November 30, 2022.

The Parties now respectfully request that the Court enter the attached proposed Order denying the Monitor's Motion for Protective Order as moot. The Monitors have notified the Parties that they agree to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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